

Abortion

1. Do you believe abortion is a sin?
2. Before looking at this study any further, could you use the Word of God to show why you believe abortion is a sin or is not a sin?
3. What makes a person different than an animal? (Genesis 1:26-27)
4. Why is there capital punishment for killing a human, but not an animal? (Genesis 9:6)
5. When does a person receive the image of God? Do the following passages help? (1 Corinthians 11:7; Colossians 3:10)
6. In the following passages, what causes life? (Genesis 2:7; Ezekiel 37:1-14; Revelation 11:3-11)
7. At what stage of human development are the people in the previous passages?
8. In the following passages, what is correlated with life? (Job 12:10; 27:3; 33:4; Isaiah 42:5; Jeremiah 10:14; Habakkuk 2:19; Acts 17:25)
9. In the following passages, what defines death? (Genesis 25:8, 17; 35:29; 49:33; 1 Kings 17:17-18; Mark 15:37; Luke 23:46; Acts 5:5, 10)
10. Does the breath of God always cause life? (Job 37:10; Isaiah 33:11)
11. Does breath always indicate life? (Revelation 13:15)
12. Is the breath of life the same as the image of God? In other words, does everything that has breath also bear the image of God? (Genesis 7:15, 21-22; Ecclesiastes 3:19)
13. What do people possess that animals do not? (Psalm 31:9; 49:20; Matthew 10:28; 1 Thessalonians 5:23)
14. In the following passage, what indicates life? (Isaiah 42:5)

15. In the following passages, what defines death? (Psalm 104:29; Ecclesiastes 12:7; Matthew 27:50; James 2:26)
16. In the previous passages, is spirit the same as being spiritually alive?
17. In the following passages, when does spiritual life begin? (John 3:1-8; Romans 8:11)
18. Does this help in determining when human life begins?
19. In the following passages, when does spiritual life begin? (James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:23)
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21. In the following passage, what is the relationship between the seed and the body? (1 Corinthians 15:35-49)
22. In the previous passage, are believers living on the earth likened to seeds or bodies?
23. Did God give humans the ability to create spirits/souls or does He create spirits/souls? (Ecclesiastes 12:7; 1 Corinthians 3:6; 15:38; Hebrews 7:9-10)
24. If God creates spirits/souls, then when does He join the spirit/soul with the body?
25. Who controls the development of a baby in the womb? (Psalm 139:13-16; Ecclesiastes 11:5)
26. Does David refer to himself as a person or a body in the womb? (Psalm 139:13-16)
27. Does the Lord know a person before he is conceived? (Psalm 139:16; Luke 1:13-17, 24; 31-33)
28. What three stages of human development are mentioned in Hosea? (Hosea 9:11)
29. What three stages of human development are mentioned in James? (James 1:14-15)
30. In the previous passage, is it possible to “perform an abortion” once conception has occurred?

31. In the previous passage, how is birth control practiced?
32. Is there any place in Scripture where a baby in the womb is referred to in the neuter (“it”) instead of masculine (“he”) or feminine (“she”)?
33. What did the baby do in Elizabeth’s womb when she heard Mary’s greeting? (Luke 1:41-44)
34. Did the baby in Elizabeth’s womb react or respond to the greeting?
35. The Greek word for *baby* found in Luke 1 is used in the following passages. What do you notice about its use? (Luke 2:12, 16; 18:15; Acts 7:19; 2 Timothy 3:15; 1 Peter 2:2)
36. In the following passage, to whom does the further injury occur? (Exodus 21:22-25)
37. In the previous passage, what is the penalty if the further injury results in death?
38. In the following passages, what indicates the start of life? (Acts 3:2; 14:8)
39. What observations can you make from the following passages? (Job 3:16; Jeremiah 20:17)
40. When commanded by Pharaoh to kill babies, what did the Hebrew midwives do? (Exodus 1:15-22)
41. Why did Peter and the apostles disobey the government? (Acts 5:27-29)
42. When is it okay to disobey your government? (Romans 13:1-5)
43. Is it okay to picket an abortion clinic?
44. Is it okay to block an abortion clinic?
45. Is it okay to kill the doctor performing the abortions?
46. What was a common form of abortion in the Old Testament times? (2 Kings 8:12; 15:16; Hosea 13:16)

47. What was the Lord's response to this kind of abortion? (Amos 1:13)
48. Who opens and closes the womb? (Genesis 29:31; 30:2, 22; 1 Samuel 1:5-6)
49. What is opening the womb equivalent to? Why is this significant? (Genesis 29:31-35; 30:22-23; Numbers 18:15; 1 Samuel 1:5-6, 20; Job 3:10)
50. If the Lord opens a womb, should you try to close it?
51. If the Lord closes a womb, should you try to open it?
52. What might someone be willing to do to cover up his/her immoral act? (2 Samuel 11:1-5, 14-21; 12:9)
53. What is the danger of using science to prove when life begins? (Cf. Genesis 1:1)
54. If woman had a Fallopian Tube pregnancy, what would you recommend she do?
55. If a woman was raped and became pregnant, what would you recommend she do? Have the baby? Abort the baby? Have a Dilation and Curettage (D & C)?
56. What is a viable pregnancy? Does Scripture give guidance as to what "viable" is?
57. Does the Bible make a distinction between embryos, fetuses, and babies?
58. Would you have a memorial service (or funeral) for a miscarriage or stillborn child?
59. Is In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) okay to do?
60. With IVF, what should be done with the "extra" pre-embryos that were conceived in the lab?
61. How would you counsel someone who is considering having an abortion?
62. What can happen when humans start playing god in the area of procreation? (Genesis 6:5; 11:5-8)

63. Who cares? What difference does all this make in the way you live your life?